

REMARKS

The rejection of claim 1 has been obviated by revising it to include the limitations of objected-to claims 12 and 14. Even though the limitation directed toward an urging member has been deleted from this claim, claim 1 is now patentable as none of the references of record includes the combination of limitations recited in initially filed claims 12 and 14, which now form a part of claim 1.

Claim 2 is patentable at least by reason of its dependency upon claim 1.

Claims 3 and 4 have each been revised to include the limitation drawn to an urging member which has been deleted in amended claim 1. As claims 3 and 4 are now of exactly the same scope as objected-to claims 3 and 4 in the last Office Action, these claims are likewise allowable.

Claim 5 is patentable at least by reason of its dependency upon amended claim 1.

Claim 6 has been withdrawn. Accordingly, no further discussion of this claim is deemed necessary.

Claims 7 and 8 are each patentable at least by reason of their ultimate dependency upon amended claim 1.

Claims 9, 10 and 11 have been withdrawn. Accordingly, no further discussion of these claims is necessary.

Claims 12, 13 and 14 have been canceled, since the limitations contained in claims 12 and 14 have been incorporated into amended claim 1.

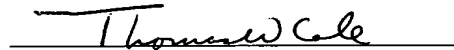
Claim 15 has been withdrawn. Accordingly, no further discussion of this claim is necessary.

Claims 16 and 17 are each patentable at least by reason of their dependency upon amended claim 1.

Finally, amended claim 18 is patentable by reason of its incorporation of the limitations of objected-to claims 19 and 20.

Now that all the claims are believed to be allowable, the prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due is hereby earnestly solicited.

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